

GERMANY SPENDING THOUSANDS TO START TROUBLE IN SOUTH AMERICA

(By Associated Press.)

BUENOS AIRES, March 25.—Belief that German agitators still are using large sums of German money transferred from New York to foment revolutionary labor troubles in Argentina and Uruguay is widespread in both countries. It has been stated in government circles here that Ambassador Naon was bringing from Washington proofs of the activity of German agents in fostering conspiracies against the government of those two South American countries and Brazil.

It is widely believed here that both Argentina and Uruguay have been kept in continual turmoil through labor troubles and anarchistic outbreaks solely for the purpose of interfering with any assistance they are able to give the entente allies and with the object of indirectly affecting the allied cause by seriously damaging the financial condition of allied industries which have been established in these two republics.

Argentine officials have received official information regarding large deposits of German funds in New York which were transferred to South America when the United States was on the brink of war, it being apparent that the money could be used to better advantage in neutral countries. These funds were sent to Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo, Lima, Santiago de Chile and Buenos Aires, with the largest deposits centered in this city. The Buenos Aires fund alone at one time is said to have reached a balance of 25,000,000 marks, distributed among several German banking houses here.

DESERTERS STRIKE WHEN OFFICIALS ATTEMPT TO PUT THEM TO WORK

(By Associated Press.)

ZURICH, Switzerland, March 25.—A "strike of deserters" has been in progress here for some weeks. The twelve in thirteen thousand deserters, mostly from the central empires, who have taken refuge in Switzerland, are as rebellious to service in the field and the factory as they are in the front line trenches, and most of them refuse to work.

Until recently every deserter who could find his way across the frontier into Switzerland was given shelter with no other condition than that he pay his taxes and observe the law. The number continually increased and on the occasion of the riots in

Zurich the federal authorities discovered that there were too many of these deserters among the leaders of the disorder. It was then decided to order a civil mobilization that would enable the government to round up all unemployed foreigners and set them to work.

The strike of the deserters followed this mobilization. The deserters pretended to the right of asylum in the country without the obligation to work. They were supported by a certain element of the Swiss Socialist party with maximalist tendencies.

"We came here to escape servitude," the deserters said, "we reject all obligations of service, military or civil; we will obey no order and we summon the socialist party of Switzerland to sustain us immediately."

The socialist party of Switzerland met at Olten in general convention and, though sustaining the strikers in a platonic way, invited them to go back to work. Thereupon the deserters and the extremists of the socialist party organized a sort of soviet in Zurich.

Socialist members of the federal council are endeavoring to get the government to annul the civil mobilization decree but public opinion in a vast majority is stoutly opposed to any concessions to the deserters.

HUNS CAPTURE PERONNE AND HAM

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, via London, March 25.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press.)—The Germans have captured Peronne and Ham and defeated British and American regiments brought up from the southwest for a counter attack on Chauny, according to the war office statement yesterday.

The statement adds that more than 20,000 prisoners have been captured and 600 guns have been taken by the Germans.

Victory in the battle which has been raging near Monchy, Cambrai, St. Quentin and Laferre is claimed by the Germans. The British third and fourth armies and parts of the Franco-American reserves are declared to have been beaten with the heaviest losses on the line from Bapaume to Bouchavesnes and behind the Somme between Peronne and Ham as well as at Chauny.

The text of the communication follows:

"Western theater: The battle near Monchy, Cambrai, St. Quentin and Laferre has been won.

"The British third and fourth armies and portions of Franco-American

can reserves who had been brought up were beaten and on the line of Bapaume-Bouchavesnes and behind the Somme, between Peronne and Ham, as well as at Chauny, were repulsed with the heaviest of losses.

"The army of General Otto Von Below took by storm Monchy height and south thereof carried forward the attack in a westerly direction beyond Vaucourt and Nenin. It now is engaged in a fight northwest of Bapaume for the third enemy positions. Strong British counter attacks were repulsed.

"The army of General Von Dermar-Witz following upon the heels of the vanquished enemy, pressed forward in close pursuit Friday night as far as the third enemy position in the Equancourt, Nurlu line.

"Early yesterday morning they renewed their attack against the enemy and defeated him, in spite of his desperate defense and continual counter attacks. A junction with the left wing of the attack of General Von Below was effected.

"Between Manencourt and Peronne the troops of General Von Katten-

and Von Gotard have found a crossing over the Tortille sector and on the Somme battle field are fighting around Bouchavesnes. Peronne has fallen. Other divisions have pressed forward to the south thereof as far as the Somme.

"As early as Friday evening the army of General Von Hutier, pressing closely forward, took by storm the third enemy position, broke through it and compelled the enemy to retire.

"In ceaseless pursuit, the corps of Generals Von Luttwitz and Von Oettinger have reached the Somme.

"Ham fell, after a desperate fight, into the hands of our victorious troops. English reserves, which were thrown against them in a desperate attack, sustained sanguinary losses.

"The corps of Generals Von Wobren and Von Conte and the troops of General Von Geyl, after a fierce battle, crossed the Crozat canal.

"French, English and American regiments which had been brought up from the southwest for a counter attack, were thrown back on Chauny in a southwesterly direction."

NOTES ON SPORTING EVENTS

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—With only a little more than a week remaining before the official opening of the Pacific Coast League baseball season, the six teams in the circuit are devoting the interim to intensive training in order to be prepared for the opening contests.

On the whole, the reports that have come in from the various training camps have been encouraging. While all of the teams are reported to have the brand of ball that will be offered to the public this year will compare favorably with that of past years.

While the early season training games against the semi-professional, army, navy and other amateur teams has shown the leaguers to be ragged and with but little team play, it is contended that this is to be expected. New men have been tried out and the personnel of the teams shifted by the managers in their endeavors to find the right men for the right places. As soon as the final selections are made and the men have the opportunity to play constantly together the team work is expected to follow quickly.

The schedule calls for the opening games to be played on Tuesday, April 2. Vernon will open hostilities against Sacramento at the latter place. The senators are back in the circuit after an absence of a number of years, taking the place of the Portland club which wound up its existence in the Pacific Coast League last fall. San Franciscans will see their team open up with the Oaklanders on the former's home

lot. Extensive preparations are being made to usher in the season with parades, and the usual accompaniments of bands and speech making. The Salt Lakers will line up against the Los Angeles club at Los Angeles.

(By Associated Press.)

SEATTLE, Wash., March 25.—The Pacific Coast International League, formerly the Northwest League, will be cut from six to four clubs, Robert Blewett, of Seattle, president of the league, has asserted. Blewett made the statement, he said, in answer to rumors that the league will be reduced in size because, it is very probable it will have no Montana representation this year.

Last year Butte and Great Falls had teams in the league. Because of lack of support and the high cost of the long railroad jump, Great Falls has already dropped from the rolls. Blewett predicts Butte will be dropped for the same reason.

Portland, Ore., will replace one of the Montana clubs, and from present indications, Vancouver will replace the other. Reports received here from southern Washington said Vancouver is just across the Columbia River from Portland, and as grounds are reported hard to find in the suburbs, all of Vancouver's home games may be played in Portland, thus giving the Oregon metropolis continuous baseball.

The other teams in the league will be Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane and Vancouver, B. C. Games will be played regularly at Camp Lewis, Tacoma. The league directors meet here March 27 to make their final plans and arrange their schedule.

TRENCH LIFE CAN'T QUELL THE "KIDDER"

(By Associated Press.)

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, March 25.—What is known back in the United States as a "kidder" cannot be suppressed even in a front line trench in France.

Seven men were standing in a trench section. All looked as if they might have been rolling around in the mud and they were well-bearded. High in the sky an airplane circled round and round over the German lines. A sergeant took a look at it through his field glasses.

"Boche," said he. Then a moment later he added, "Heeded this way."

The machine came closer and closer over head. One young private

who had just come up from a replacement division and had not seen many airplanes—especially German airplanes—before, watched this one intently. His head kept going back, back, back until his neck was on a right angle with his body. And his mouth which had opened just a little as his head started going back, finally was wide open. There he was looking up open-mouthed. Then the sergeant saw him.

"Hey, there," cried the sergeant, "you better close that. First thing you know that Boche will see that opening, think it's a dugout door and drop a bomb in it."

AMERICAN TROOPS NOT YET IN FIGHT

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Nothing has been received here to indicate what American regiments were brought into the fighting as referred to in the Berlin dispatches. If any American troops participated, officials thought it would be found they probably were American engineers, caught in some sudden movement, as they were at Cambrai.

CHICAGO PITCHER BREAKS RIGHT LEG

(By Associated Press.)

DALLAS, Tex., March 25.—Ed Corey, a recruit pitcher of the Chicago Americans, broke his right leg just above the ankle here yesterday afternoon during the game with the Dallas team of the Texas League. He was taken to a local sanitarium.

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NEW LAW BRINGS OUT ODD GUNS

(By Associated Press.)

HELENA, Mont., March 25.—Under a new law passed by the special session of the legislature, requiring that all weapons be registered with the county sheriffs, many historic firearms and swords are being brought to light in Montana.

One of these registered here was a single-shot, muzzle-loading derringer which Colonel Wilbur F. Sanders, a pioneer of this state, carried in the Vigilante days here, and with it was the sword carried by Colonel Sanders in the civil war.

Another gun brought in was purchased in New York state in 1737, and is declared to have seen service in the revolutionary war, the war of 1812 and the civil war. It has been in this state 35 years.

An old duelling pistol, in the possession of the family of the present owner for over 100 years, brought from France in 1742, also was registered, and the sword carried in the war of 1812 by Major General William Henry Harrison, afterwards president, was brought in by his great grandson, J. Scott Harrison, of this city.

Among the guns registered at Dillon is one that belonged to Henry Plummer, the sheriff-bandid of pioneer days in this state. When he was hanged it was turned over to one of Plummer's creditors. A collection of firearms also was registered at Dillon, which includes guns dating as far back as the discovery of America.

MONSTER CANNON BOMBARD PARIS

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS has been bombarded by German long distance guns, according to the German official communication last night.

The statements add that the British in their retreats are burning French towns and villages and that between the Somme and the Oise the Germans are still going forward.

Enormous quantities of booty have been taken by the Germans, according to the statement, which follows: "Between the Somme and the Oise our corps are fighting their way forward. Chauny has been taken. "Our booty in war material is enormous. The English in their retreat are burning French towns and villages.

"We have bombarded the fortress of Paris with long distance guns."

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE WATER COMPANY OF TONOPAH FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1917.

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\$148,297.90

Disbursements during 1917, including payment of loans \$149,870.66

\$ 1,327.26

H. D. ANDERSON, Assistant Secretary.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE NEVADA COPPER COMPANY, for the year ended December 31, 1917:

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